

Please return this

Worcester Mass. June 1 1887
Friend May

The publishing Committee of the Soc. of Antiquity decided to publish Johnson's paper, at once. This was practically decided a week ago by a majority of the Committee, but it was thought best to see them all, and the last one was seen last evening, and no one objects.

I will therefore deliver the copy to Mr. Rice tomorrow and he will go right about it, and in a few days will have a dozen or more pages ready to send to Johnson in proof for his revision and correction, and by the time that

is returned or down after he will
have more set up, ready to
send, and it will soon
be out.

The Society will use 300 copies
for their exchanges, Members,
Dr., and Rice thinks he will
take 200 copies at his risk
per sal. And if you and
O.J. think 200 copies can be
used to advantage, they
will make an edition of
for. but this I have to you
and Johnson.

I have called twice to see
W.W. Rice without catching him
to get him to write out his
marks to go in, but I will
find him soon, in season.
In a sketch of what I said
I do not want to mention

Charles Devens as marching
Anthony Burns under escort of
U.S. Marines to the slave ship
in 1854 unless it was true,
I am quite confident it was
Devens, from my recollection.
But have no authority that I
can find at hand to certify it.
Am I right?

I enclose you opening remarks
for such enlargement
as you see fit. As you are
now speaking to a new gen-
eration, ^{"that know not" when} would it not be well
to give off history a little more
full. As one of the original
12 that organized the first
N.L.A.S. Society with its date
and only vil^r / other during
S.E. Sewall, his connection
with the Liberator as editor

line named you Blackstone paper,
and date. Were not you Ed. of the Pa. Freeman
pro tem. The Register and
the Standard till its
close. or any thing else
that you may think best.
If you will return this in
few days to F.P. Rice 4 Dix
premier he will place
in its proper place.
What cold maths for
first of June, but I
suppose it is useful if
it is uncomfortable.

Truly
Joseph A. Ward

I presume it will do to
address Johnson Still
at 135 West 41st Street.

No doubt of this?